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the various institutions that are involved. So I think it's an important bill, both in terms of opening up access to graduate training in business. It'll do so at a reasonable cost to the taxpayer and I think there are future opportunities down the road that this bill also presents to meet the needs of our state for economic development, particularly in the rural areas. And I think we could see some interesting developments down the road in terms of people having access to educational opportunities that they simply do not now have. So I would urge you to support LB 970.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Kahle is next, however, we have an amendment to the bill. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Vickers and Lundy would move to amend the bill. That amendment is on page 1270 of the Journal.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Which one of you gentlemen is going to take that? Senator Lundy?

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the amendment to LB 970 will provide for a committee and let me read the amendment as it's found and referenced by the President. The state colleges and the University of Nebraska shall establish a joint advisory committee to ensure coordinated program development and delivery in offering the master's degree in business administration. I believe this amendment is self-explanatory and I move its adoption.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Just, Mr. President, a word or two in support. I think we do need coordination in this program and I know some of you are concerned about the expansion of programs in our state and I think this would be one way to make sure that the program was operated in cooperation with the University and the state colleges and that wouldn't be a division. I think that's all I have to say on this amendment. I think the amendment should be passed. I think